

That's just one of the examples of how sequestration will impact folks in my congressional district and all across the country, which is why we've been arguing for a balanced response.

The other thing that I'd note: I was in Brooklyn a few days ago and had a meeting with public housing leaders. The New York City Public Housing Authority, which presides over public housing units in New York City—the largest such public authority related to public housing in the country—will experience a \$190 million cut as a result of sequestration. There are already residents of public housing in my district and all across the city of New York dealing with inhumane conditions right now—mold infestation, broken elevators, rat infestation, the inability to get repairs done on a timely basis, violence at levels that should not be tolerated. And instead of cutting almost \$200 million from the Public Housing Authority in New York, we should be investing more.

Madam Speaker, we're hopeful that we can arrive at a place where common sense will prevail and we can move forward to keep America moving forward in a reasonable way.

I yield to my colleague from Nevada to close.

Mr. HORSFORD. I just want to add that this debate begins and ends with the American people. We want to hear and listen to their views. We want you to know that you can go to # Be Careful What You Cut and tell us the impacts that you are seeing with this sequester and how it is affecting you. That way we can share those opinions and views with our colleagues to hopefully convince them that a balanced approach, working across party lines, both Chambers, the Senate and the House, coming together for the good of the American people is what we desperately need at this time.

Madam Speaker, thank you for allowing us to speak this evening and for the American people allowing us to be their voice in this representative government.

Mr. JEFFRIES. Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, when the Congress adjourned last week, it did so without addressing the drastic spending cuts known as sequester. Now the March 1st deadline has passed, still with no action. Without the attention of Congress, these cuts will wreak havoc on our fragile economy and jeopardize the safety and security of families in this country. House and Senate Democrats have both offered reasonable, balanced plans to avert these damaging cuts, but the GOP has refused to work towards a bipartisan plan to reduce the deficit. We have had more than a year to reach a bipartisan agreement, and without an agreement these cuts will be balanced on the backs on our most vulnerable citizens.

I am specifically concerned about the effects of sequestration on the 30th District, and the state of Texas as a whole. Texas will lose approximately \$67.8 million for primary and secondary education, putting educators at risk

and compromising our children's education. In Texas alone, approximately 52,000 civilian Department of Defense employees would be furloughed, reducing gross pay by around \$274.8 million in total. These are not just numbers. Madam Speaker. These are mothers and fathers trying to provide for their families.

Under sequestration, 9,730 fewer children in Texas will receive vaccines, and our state will lose approximately \$3,557,000 to help provide meals for seniors. Texas will also lose approximately \$2,402,000 to help respond to public health threats including infectious diseases and natural disasters.

Madam Speaker, we must confront our federal debt and deficit, but we must do so in a balanced approach that does not further harm our weakened economy. Deficit reduction must be comprised by both decreased spending and enhanced revenue measures. I implore the House leadership and the Republican Members of Congress to come back to the table and get back to work.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. HONDA (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of a death in the family.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for February 25 through March 7 on account of medical reasons.

Mr. CULBERSON (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today on account of illness.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 47. An act to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. JEFFRIES. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 28 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

566. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Standards Related to Essential Health Benefits, Actuarial Value, and Accreditation [CMS-9980-F] (RIN: 0938-AR03) received February 25, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

567. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's "Major" final rule — Seismic Evaluation Guidance: Screening, Prioritization and Implementation Details (SPID) for the Resolu-

tion of Fukushima Near-Term Task Force Recommendation 2.1: Seismic received February 26, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

568. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-020, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

569. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-010, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

570. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-001, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

571. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-021, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

572. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works, Department of Defense, transmitting the Engineering Documentation Report for the Flood Damage Reduction Project for the Roseau River; (H. Doc. No. 113—13); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed.

573. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Changes in accounting periods and methods of accounting (Rev. Proc. 2013-20) received February 20, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

574. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Applicable Federal Rates — March 2013 (Rev. Rul. 2013-7) received February 20, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

575. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Update of List of Plants, Grown in Commercial Quantities in the United States, Having a Preproductive Period in Excess of Two Years Based on the Nationwide Weighted Average Preproductive Period for Such Plant [Notice 2013-8] received February 20, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky:

H.R. 933. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and other departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.